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THE TWO SINNERS.
By A. Drahms.

yo Suppliants at the Gate of Heaven
Once sought the gift of sins forgiven;
e with clasped hands and head bent low
Stood in the agony of woe.
ie Lord inquired, "And why those tears;
Cease thou thy grief and hush thy fears:
ou art forgiven; Go, sin no more;
Behold in Heaven an open door.
d why stand'st thou with head erect,
In thy self-righteousness bedecked;
hat hast thou done, what hast thou wrought."
Proudly the Suppliant answered: "Nought."
hat, Nought? in world so full of sin;
Fightings without and fears within;
, thou, to outer darkness cast—
Till thou shalt find thy task at last."

THE MONDAY CLUB.

The Club had an especially interesting session on ay 15th. Rev. Ernest W. Wood who was on a re-rn trip from Australia to London, England, was esent and gave an informal talk on the conditions Australia. He had spent some months in "the sh," and out of that experience had much illumin-ing to say. Miss Truran, also of England, hap-ned to be present. She has been a Near-East work-in the Caucasus, but had to flee from before the lsheviki. She is expecting to return in the fall of e year. Her brief story of experiences relieving e starving orphans of Armenia was so thrilling e program committee asked her to speak more lly the following Monday.

THE AVALON OUTING.

New England has Northfield; Hoosierdom, Winona, ke; the central north-west, Lake Geneva; but the uthern California Congregationalists have Cata-a, which for restful and radiant beauty is unsur-ssed.

The beginning of the second decade of the Mini-rial Retreat at Catalina was celebrated by seventy-e men in a profitable and inspiring series of conferences.The devotional note was dominant and all united in making the "Retreat" register a decided "Advance" in appreciation of the spiritual life.

The Avalon Church devoted itself to the entertainment of the ministers, and really seemed to enjoy the "sky pilots." There was just enough "horse play" to make all of the visitors realize that at home they were living in an automobile, wireless and radio age.

Chaplain Earl B. Weed, now Pastor-elect of the Avalon Church, and the Rev. George F. Kengott, were unceasing in their efforts to make the "Retreat" more than a mere passing incident. The benign presence of Dr. James M. Campbell, of Manhattan Beach, was a benediction.

Next year it is the aim of the Conference and the Avalon Church to have an attendance of one hundred ministers. B. C. P.

REV. WALTER FREAR D. D.

The death of Dr. Frear at his home in Oakland on May 25th brings sadness to a multitude of friends. He had almost reached his 94th year, and though somewhat feeble in these, later months he had retained all his faculties in full vigor. It has been a long life, of generous and important service.

For many years he was in charge of the relief funds for aged ministers and their wives, and this arduous work he rendered not only without remuneration but with rare modesty and a discriminating sympathy. In earlier years he was the business agent of the American Board on this coast.

His life here has been a precious asset for the religion of Christ; and his friendship a personal benediction.. "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Frederick Norwood, the Australian Baptist Minister who was called to the City Temple of London, succeeding Fort Newton, is supplying the Broadway Tabernacle of New York City, Charles E. Jefferson's pulpit during May and June. He has also given some Commencement Addresses.

Pastors and churches wanting vacation supplies during the months of July and August might confer with Superintendents Rathbone and Dodge at Congregational Headquarters.

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TO A CHINESE COOLIE.

If those grim artisans in other lands
Who fret and shirk
Dropping their chosen tools from listless hands,
Could see you work
Watching you toil twelve thundering hours a day
In hold or pit
At work which makes other work seem play
Compared with it
Giving your body with a man-sized will
To every deed,
Doing each baneful task as though to fill
Your spirit's need,
If they could hear that constant cheery song
Heartbreaking as it rings
Triumphant to the bitterness and wrong
Of human things—
Why then, God knows they must look up again
To a far height,
Stand to their work, and battle on like men,
Toward light.

FROM "BEYOND SHANGHI". BY PERMISSION OF THE ABINGTON PRESS

RATHER DRY

The wets are generous. All they ask for is return of beer and light wines. Beer—so innocent a thing as beer constituted 92 per cent of the liquor traffic and the brewers owned about 85 per cent of the saloons and furnished nearly 100 per cent of the political corruption of the saloon days. The return of beer and light wines means the return of the saloon. Don't let them fool you!

Why is crime rampant in California? Because we have invited all the bootlegging gang to come as our guests, by our refusal to stand by the Eighteenth Amendment at our last election. When we allowed the wets to vote down the Harris Act, we sent forth an invitation for law-breakers to break the law. Is it any wonder that men are doing it? Prohibition is the law of the land, and of California as well; it is our business to stand by the Wright act next November. Let us carry that by a big majority and we shall have invited the bootlegger out of our state. And he will not be slow about accepting our invitation.

Do you know that 2,640 automobiles were stolen in the streets of Los Angeles in 1921. Are we encouraging young people in vice by having a law against the theft of automobiles? In one month i one of our Californian cities 785 burglaries wer committed. Are we creating a disrespect for la by making burglary a felony? Why don't some o the burglars form an association for a repeal o these obnoxious laws? See the point?

The liquor propaganda is fooling you. Prohibi tion is not a failure. The Camden County work house—that is New Jersey, please notice—and number of county jails are practically empty, o account of Prohibition. The Columbus Ohio work house is closed; two thirds of the Cincinnati work house is closed (and this is the heart of the beer trade); the Fond du Lac (Wisconsin) workhouse i closed, (and Milwaukee is in Wisconsin; the Ips wich (Mass) house of correction is closed; th Douglass County (Minn) workhouse is closed. I short in the United States there are hundreds o workhouses and jails that are closed or practicall empty because of Prohibition. This has com about because of the lessened use of liquor, and i spite of a wave of crime that is sweeping the whol world. Let us nail down the Eighteenth Amend ment a little harder and more jails will be throw out of commission.

The vital question at the primaries this year is— Does the candidate line up with the Dry's or wit the Wets? Keep that query perpetually befor your mind.

"The Wright Law will put 'force into enforce ment; and give more 'boot' to the bootlegger."

ADVERTIZING AND NEWS.

As a rule Church Calendars use only half o their opportunity. They are usually advertisin sheets; they seldom are news-sheets. They te what is supposed to happen in the coming week they say nothing about what has happened in th past week. If pastors would take one half of th space to make interesting reports of what ha taken place in the preceding week, the chances ar the folks would be more inclined to attend th things that are advertized for the ensuing week.

Editor Gilroy, of the Congregationalist has bee under fire from the Conservative batteries. H frankly acknowledges himself a liberal, but claim also to be a conciliator. He says that he "came t his task with the great hope that he might be abl to win the support and confidence of all, who ar more vitally interested in religion than in speculat ive questions of theology and criticism." Perhap if he had more boldly expressed his own convictions criticism would have been less bold. Some peopl see little difference between conciliation and coward ice.

TALKING OVER THE SECOND COMING

Enquirer (who wants to find out). "Do you believe the Second Coming of Christ is near at hand?

Premillienialist (who is absolutely sure) "I certainly do."

E. "By that you mean it is coming any day now—surely within this present generation?"

P. "That is just what I mean: any day, right now."

E. "Any day in the next 1900 years, I suppose?"

P (Laughing) "Why certainly not. Now is now: Not two thousand years from now. You must be joking. Can't you be fair enough to credit me with meaning what I say. I think my language is clear enough."

E. "Ah yes, your language is clear enough; I understand what you say and what you mean by saying it. But why are you not just as fair with the New Testament writers as you want me to be with you? When they declared nineteen hundred years ago in as clear and definite language as you use that 'the coming of Christ was near at hand' 'at the very doors', they meant just what they said, did they not? Take such words as these, 'The Lord is at hand', 'it is the last hour'; or as the book of Revelation says,—"Things which must shortly come to pass'; how is it right to make such words refer to something that has not taken place in nineteen hundred years and is yet to be fulfilled?"

P. "Why I hadn't thought of that."

E. "One ought to think of everything, ought to be fair to the other people. Here is another thing to think about; if the coming of Christ was near at hand in the First Century, it cannot be in the Twentieth. It has to be either near the First or near the Twentieth; it cant be near both, can it?"

P. " Idon't see how it can be, I see the point. If it is near to us it could not be near to apostles. How do you explain it?"

E. "What seems to me to be true is, that Christ did come in that First Century, just as the New Testament writers said he would, and as Jesus himself said. He came to the world at the first after his resurrection, and he has been coming more and more, in increasing power and effectivenss; and he will continually be coming until the whole world is leavened by his gospel and his saving power; and then will be the consummation of His Kingdom."

—F. A. B.

THE ASSOCIATIONS.

The Sacramento Valley Association met with the Woodville Church on May 9 and 10. The sermon was by Rev. Richard C. Day. Supt. Rathbone discussed "The proposed organic union;" Harvey Miller "Some aspects of modern faith;" and Rev. Tom Watt "Pastors and young men of the community."

The Upper Bay Association met at Benicia on May 9, with the general theme, "The Minister." C. F. Roper spoke of him as Preacher; James Muir as Pastor; N. F. Sanderson as His own Evangelist; G. S. Brett as related to the community; E. O. Chapel as related to the young people; and Hugh Jones as related to the Sunday school.

The Fifty-seventh annual meeting of the Santa Clara Association was held in Santa Cruz on May 16th and 17th. Practically all the churches were represented. The sermon was by B. St. John of Woodside who took as his text "I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision" A novelty in the program, well worth copying by other associations was "Beautiful Bits of the Bible" when those present gave some choice text from the Scriptures with a few comments; the passages came from a wide range and the comments were very inspiring. F. W. Morrison spoke on "The simple Gospel;" W. E. Eckles on "The universal task, God's and ours;" William E. Ewing of Claremont was present and spoke on "Our educational opportunity;" and Pesident Swartz spoke on "Evangelism." W. F. Hyde of Palo Alto was elected moderator, and the next meeting will be at San Jose with R. D. Douglas as preacher.

Central Association voted heartily to endorse the plan of the National Council for organic union. They purpose having a fellowship rally at Ceres in the fall. G. E. Atkinson was elected moderator. There was a fine spirit in the gathering.

EASTER IN SEATTLE.

The Congregational churches of the city added something like 300 new members to their number, most of them adults and on confession of faith. The larger additions were Plymouth 135; Green Lake 44; University 30; Fairmount 25; Alki 20; Keystone 14; Prospect 13; Pilgrim 8. On the Sunday following Easter 20 teams of layman visited all the churches bearing greetings and setting forth the program of the year.

The president and faculty of Pomona College sent a congratulatory telegram to Prof. George Herbert Palmer of Harvard upon his eightieth birthday. In his response, Dr. Palmer says; "The clean earnest happy and public-minded character of many students I met (in Pomona) made a great impression on me. I think of Pomona as a kind of smaller Harvard of the Pacific."

Mr. K. Ishikawa, a student of the Pacific School of Religion, was ordained to the Congregational ministry and made pastor of the Japanese church in Oakland last month. He succeeds to the pastorate made vacant by the going of Rev. Mr. Nukaga to Japan.

THE TOURIST CHURCH.

So the Congregational Church at Long Beach delights to call itself; and the pastor, Dr. Henry Kendall Booth heartily joins in the use of the title.

Congregationalism began back in the '80's in the tiny seaside village. The larger growth of the church awaited the expansion of the community. This increase has taken place in the last decade and the church has more than kept pace with the growth. Its membership in the last ten years has gone from 339 to 1420.

Rallying their forces for an act of faith in the future, namely, the building of the fine church edifice far beyond the numbers and means of the congregation, the church has found that faith justified. For the large and finely-equipped plant has been one of the potent factors in its success.

Located as it is in a resort city the church has frankly accepted the challenge of its conditions and calls itself "The Tourist Church." To it come visitors from all over the country to find in it during their stay a church home. There has been developed through the years a fine and efficient organization, which employs three assistants in various departments of work, and which has through their capable assistance, functioned successfully. There is a complete business system in operation which has proved its value in increasing receipts year by year.

The following tabulation for the years 1912, 1916, and 1921 will be evidence enough as to the efficiency of the business end of the organization.

	Membership	Home Expense	Benevolences
1912	391	$7,614	$1,404
1916	509	14,854	1,267
1921	1238	23,100	14,954

Many original methods of church work have been tried out here. One feature is the publication of a weekly paper called "The Pilgrim", which in addition to the usual church services and announcements prints the sermon of the pastor in full. It has now a large and increasing mailing list, being sent to all parts of the world, and many appreciative messages from out of the way places have made evident its value. All departments of the church are finding increasing service and the church as a whole faces a bright future of usefulness for the Kingdom in the Southland.

NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES.

Berkeley, First.

The Easter joy of the church went over into the first Sunday in May when the church welcomed 72 new members into the fellowship. It was a great and happy occasion. Pastor McCall is preaching to large congregations both morning and evening. One evening he took for the answering of questio He is very adept in this sort of work, getting the heart of the matter in a few brief sentenc The church is looking up in the world.

Berkeley, Olivet.

Pastor Govette welcomed four more memb into the church, in May; this is in addition to t eight he received at Easter.

Oakland, Plymouth.

Rev. Charles L. Kloss, pastor, has had recen the joy of seeing the work increasingly prosperc in his church. The financial condition has b constantly better as the months go along. But congregations and the spiritual welfare of church is more encouraging. On Mother's Sun he preached to large congregations. He called all the mothers in the congregation to stand and there were about 250 on their feet; then Grand mothers stood up to the number of 40; two confessed to being Great Grandmothers. F ty-three new members have been recently added the church, 36 of them on confession of fa among whom were 26 strong, upstanding you men.

Los Angeles, Wilshire Church.

The Parish Center was dedicated on May 7, pastor the Rev. Frank Ryer being in charge of services. The church starts out with 57 char members. The church edifice itself will be b some time in the future about a block from present Parish Center. Those participating in exercises of dedication were Superintendent K gott, Rev. Carl S. Patton of the First Church, B. C. Preston, president of the Ministers Asso tin.

San Diego, First.

Roy H. Campbell pastor. Major Ira H. Evan long time member of the church has "entered i the larger service of the Fathers ' home". Easter Sunday there were 58 new members ad to the fellowship. On Sunday evenings the pas is giving some very interesting talks 'for yo folks and folks who like to keep young."

Oakland, First.

F. J. Van Horn pastor. The church broke a g many records the other Sunday when thirty- babies were presented for baptism: "What a si and what a promise for the future church!" church was surprised one Sunday morning in h ing a fine carillon, which means 'chimes' car out to 61 notes, enabling the organist to play tune. The set was the gift of an anonymous fr and was put in without any one being aware o until they rang out that Sunday morning.

Sacramento.

Rev. Harvey Miler is recognizing the '49 cele tion in his city by preaching a series of sermon

eligion in the days of '49." He speaks on Sacmento's first pastor, J. A. Benton, the First urch; the First Hymn; and the First Thanksgivg.

n Jose.

Fred W. Morrison pastor. The choir of the Oakıd First Church came to San Jose and gave a ncert, and they say they had a most delightful ne. They say that the renovated church is "the est in San Jose."

ıcaipa.

ChesterFerris pastor. Ten have been received in- membership. The men's dinner, an annual event, ıs successful; one fellow gave two lambs as piece resistance. An original program followed; seated a long platform the men 'took off' the Ladies d and brought down the house. The proceeds went the Women's Union and to a lawn tennis court be established by the Pilgrim Society. Mrs. Fers led a missionary pageant, "Binding and Loosg of Nations" with 35 women and girls as actors. ıe Jubilee fund for the Women's Board has been ore than secured. To encourage the boys of the urch school the ladies gave a regular banquet; d the boys were made happy.

ıs Angeles, First.

Rev. Carl S. Patton tried the experiment on Easter ınday morning of holding two services, one folwing the other. The first was held at 10 o'clock with crowded house, and the same service with exactthe same order of service was held again at 11.30, so with a crowded house. The plan worked out to e entire satisfaction of the pastor. The experiment ll probably be an established custom in this church ıe communion service was held in the afternoon ıen 103 persons were welcomed into membership, majority of whom came on confession of faith, ıny of them thus graduating from the church school

ıkland Fruitvale.

The Lenten Ingathering of new members has relted as follows: 33 on confession, 3 by reaffiration, with a total of 50. This is the largest ımber ever received in any one year, and brings e membership up to 220. When C. F. Clarke gan his pastorate with this church it had 134 embers and a huge debt with a large measure of scouragement. The discouragement is gone, the bt paid except a balance due the Church Buildg Society, and over a 60 per cent increase of embership.

ng Beach.

The church seems to have taken the banner for ditions at Easter time. Pastor H. K. Booth reived at that time 159 new members, 104 on confesın of faith, 86 of these coming from the Church hool. This church has added nearly 200 to its ll since the beginning of the year, and now numbers 20 members in all.

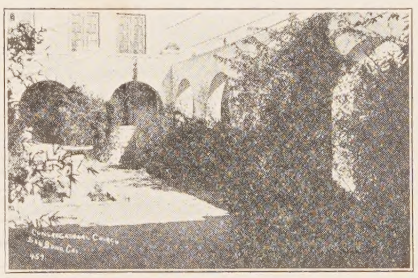
Martinez

The church heard its pastor's sermon the other Sunday by radio. Rev. N. P. Sanderson went down to the Rock Ridge Station with his choir, and preached a sermon to all the world, and his congregation sat in the pews at home listening.

THE SOUTHERN CONFERENCE.

The thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Southern California Congregational Conference was held at San Bernardino May 8, 9, 10. It is said to have been the best annual session the Conference ever has had, both in the matter of attendance and the very high quality of the program.

The sermon was preached by William O. Wark on "The message of the Master." Out of a very full program the following might be singled for special mention: An address on "the world outlook for religion" by president R. B. von Kliensmid; "The church's attitude toward industry" by A. E. Holt; "Present day methods of evangelism" by Roy Campbell; "The newer appreciation of the Bible" by Carl S. Patton; "The cost of Christian service" by president Swartz.



First Church, San Bernardino.

Superintendent Kengott at the Southern Conference advised the scrapping of all machinery that the church could get along without. He urged "criticism by the local church of its own habits and ideals in the interest of simplicity and democracy."

Carl S. Patton was elected moderator for the coming year, and John Gardner of Riverside, the Preacher.

One whole morning session was given to the reports of committees; and one afternoon session to "Methods of church work." On the first evening the young people met at supper under the leadership of Miss Bundy. The success of the Conference was due largely to the careful preparation made by the pastor H. W. Mowbray.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE AGAINST KU KLUX

"In view of the alarming spread of the Ku Klux Klan organization in the United States, especially in California.

"Be it resolved, therefore, that we the members of

the Southern California Conference, do hereby express our unqualified dissapproval of any secret organization which seeks to take upon itself the enforcement of the law and the punishment of suspected law breakers, resorting in so doing to the use of masks and other means of terrorism.

"Further, be it resolved, that since the lax enforcement of law, especially as applied to bootlegging, seems to be an excuse for the activities of the above mentioned Ku Klux Klan, we do hereby urge our church and patriotic people everywhere to bring such legitimate pressure to bear upon officers of the law who are remiss in their tasks as will encourage them to fulfill their sworn duty and thus remove any excuse for lawless enforcement."

MR. VOX WILL ANSWER

A learned but modest gentleman who is known to the editor but who desires his identity to be concealed under the title "Mr. Vox" (that is, merely a voice), is willing to answer such questions as shall be submitted to him. Those that are too deep or intricate he may refer to bolder souls.

The editor assures his readers that Mr. Vox is a genuine person; and is not in any way connected with the Congregational Headquarters.

The Question Drawer

Question: What Authority is there for believing in the resurrection of the body?

Answer: Authority is one thing to one, man, and another thing to another man. Many good people find their authority in the letter of Scripture; others find it in the Spirit. The prophet deals with things beyond ordinary experiences; he finds human language inadequate; of necessity he clothes his thought in metaphor, and, in reading, (each man gets out of it exactly what he puts into it. Which means that the same spirit which inspired the writer must inspire the reader; that the ultimate authority for truth is the indwelling spirit of the truth.

There is no proof that Jesus occupied the old body when He appeared after the crucifixion. His resurection body seems to have new proprties, it appear ed and dissappeard—it passed through walls when doors were shut; seemingly it was changd. But then until we know more than we do at present about Matter and Spirit the question concerning the resurection body must remain unanswered.

Paul tells us there is a natural body and a spiritual body. Whether the one is confined within the other, the outer shell being discarded as the other is released; or whether the spirit clothes itself in a new body after death, we cannot tell. Perhaps it is true that during our life in the physical body, we are building our spiritual body; that our spiritual body is the result of all our spiritual activities in this life, plus those life-giving and life building eleme which come from God.

Question: Is the re-union of Protestantism po ble and desirable?

Answer: The only basis for unity is oneness spirit, a common faith, and a common progra When the churches can agree on a common cre Faith in God as He is revealed in Jesus Christ, obedience to the law of love as stated in the Gol Rule—then something like unity may be in sig Until then, organic unity is probably neither possi or desirable. The thing that ought to be possibl certainly desireable — is a comity of Church Some friendly arrangement to 'promote fellows and good-will—to prevent friction and overlappin

Mr. Vo

AND THEN THE FUN BEGAN.

The mutterings of impending conflict disturb the usually tranquil sessions of the Santa Cl Association. It was reported that emissaries the rich and powerful Bay Association had b approaching the churches of San Mateo County, deavoring to persuade them to leave their anci allegiance to Santa Clara. What inducements been offered was not known, but it was suspec that the prospect of closer association with the r and fashionable urban churches and their disti uished ministers was among the blandishments e ployed. Four of the five San Mateo Cou churches were understood to have lent a will ear to these approaches, while one, the church Wodside, had stood firmly against them.

As the full extent of the prospective defection veloped, involving one-third of the churches at Association, the dismay of the Santa Clarans m be imagined. The fact that two of the succeed churches are now erecting new and beautiful e fices, with finely appointed kitchens and dini rooms in which the Santa Clarans had hoped of to foregather, caused some gnashing of te among the delegates. In vain did a Redwo delegate assure the members that they would s be welcome. Insinuations were hurled across room that those unsuspecting churches would f that they were being sought in the interest the large financial schemes of the new Bay As ciation. "They seek not you but yours. W the collection plate is passed, you will repent sackcloth and ashes." The towering figure Pastor Stevens of Redwood was the center o surging throng in the lobbies, and his voice v heard explaining, defending, conciliating.

The ancient constitution of the Association v dragged out, and its definition of the county li of its corporate territory was variously interpret

fundamental liberties of Congregationalism e invoked in behalf of the Woodside Church to ect her from being dragged bodily against her into another association. Analogies of the war and the right of secession were cited. The le matter was referred to a committee, which ight in some ringing resolutions directing the istrar to expostulate with the succeeding rches and endeavor to get them to see their in a different light. Santa Clara and its vance will doubtless be heard from at the State ference at Asilomar next fall. In the mean Rev. B. St. John and his valiant followers are enching themselves in the hills about Wood- and the line of the San Francisquito Creek is of sharpshooters.

THE MINISTER.

e Rev. Joseph B. Long who has preached before ir Northern California churches has been called an Juan and has already begun work there. The ch at this place had been resuscitated and made able by the earnest and faithful work of Rev. . Jackson a minister of the United Presbyterian mination. Mr. Jackson has moved to Barstow.

e trustees and deacons of the First Church and have cordially invited Rev. W. C. Waddell come assistant pastor of the church for a period ree months with the expectation that the term be made longer. Mr. Waddell, has been supply- ffectively the Pilgrim Church of the same city. vill have charge of the Daily Vacation Bible ol of the church.

v. J. B. Silcox has been engaged to supply the im Church of St. Louis, while it is looking id for a pastor. Rev. Hugh Pedley of Montreal ecently been preaching for the church.

v. George H. Dekay has been appointed Super- dent of the Anti-Saloon League for the Hawaiian ds. His service in this country along these has been noticeable for its ability and value. as pastor of the first Prohibition Congregational h on this coast, and has pioneered the work in localities. For the past year or more he has d a church in Maui, but this call to a larger e would brook no refusal. He begins work in w office on June 1.

NEWS FROM THE NORTH

rim Church of Seattle has called E. Lincoln , to be their pastor, and it is expected that he ccept. This will be his second pastorate there happy solution for the church and city.

. F. A. Brown, of Plummer, Idaho, has received to Almira, Washington.

d Worker, Rev. Wm. C. Allen, reports having l a school district, recently in Washington, where a teacher is maintained at an average cost of $140 per pupil and yet there is no Sunday School in the district and there are said to be young people there who never have been to Sunday School or heard a sermon.

Rev. Wm. R. Marshall has resigned his charge at Bellingham to accept a call to Long Beach, Calif. The Bellingham Church, on Easter Sunday, raised $1,008.80 to apply on repairs on the pipe organ, by responding to the novel suggestion of Mr. Marshall, that each member donate one day's wages.

Mr. E. A. Halliday and Mrs. F. M. Wilcox have recently made a tour of the state of Washington, attending all of the meetings of our local associations. Their visits resulted in a larger and more successful attendance at these meetings and more enthusiastic cooperation in state plans than before.

The Fauntleroy Church, Seattle, Rev. H. F. Burgess, pastor closed the various branches of its instntional work, for the season, the second week in May. The pupils of the Manual Training classe were given a banquet, popularly called a "bean-feed", under the direction of Mr. Laurence Colman, superintendent. Plates were laid for 130. Mr. Collins of Alki, exibited some white mice and gave a good talk on the duties of being kind to dumb animals. This was on Friday, May 12, and the motion pictures for the evening presented the juvenile classic, "Tom Sawyer." These will be discontinued until the school opens in the fall.

IN BRIEF.

Some time ago Mr. Amos Hiatt a good Congregationalist left a legacy of $500 to the care of Rev. L. D. Rathbone to make such use of as he saw fit. Supt. Rathbone has turned it over to the endowment fund of the Conference.

Federation is progressing. After a visit to Reno Supt. Rathbone for the Congregationalists and Mr. Donaldson for the Presbyterians, the Presbyterian and Congregational churches of that city have made a permanent and satisfactory federation of their interests and work. Norman C. Pendleton is to remain as the pastor of the organization. In the same manner a temporary federation has been accomplished between the Congregational church at Crockett and the Presbyterian church at Velona. This arrangement is to continue until January next as an experiment. Rev. C. F. Roper will supply the combined congregation for the present.

Dorris is a small community of about 400 souls in the far north-east corner of the state of California. It lies close to the Oregon line on a branch of the S. P. railroad running from Weed to Klamath Falls. It is 4100 feet above sea level and the climate is dry and cold and healthy. We have had work there some years past but another denomination

crowded in and we withdrew our missionary support from the field. The other denomination failed to continue. For the past year there has been no church; but Sunday school has been kept up through the efforts of the Congregational people. The community is asking for regular services now. The conference trustees have voted that Dorris be cared for, and as soon as adjustment can be made a pastor will probably be secured for this field in conjuction with Macdoel, a village of 300 people 12 miles away, where there has been neither church nor Sunday school for years.

From San Francisco and Los Angeles 350 tons of clothing and food supplies went out during May shipped for the Near East Relief in the Trans-Caucasia. The cargo also contained surgical appliances. Some time in June the freighter Nebraskan will sail with another cargo to be gathered from the southern part of the state. Unless speedy help comes from the friends of the Near East Relief upwards of 25,000 children will have to be abandoned for the lack of funds to care for them.

The Pilgrim Memorial Fund is prospering. Already $3,400,000 have been paid in by the over 100,000 subscribers. There is a fair promise that by the end of 1924 the $5,000,000 undertaken will be in the hands of the treasurer. Some of those who have subscribed have been slow about making payments, perhaps on account of business depression. A number have failed to make any response to the repeated communications from the central offices. The National Council last July instructed that the objective of the fund should be $8,000,000, instead of the original five million. There are 1517 members under the Original Plan and 167 under the Expanded Plan.

Robert Frye Clarke who has for the past five years been president of the Pacific University at Forest Grove, Oregon, has resigned. He stated in his letter of resignation that he desired to go back to teaching, preferring that work to the responsibilities of the presidential office. To succeed Dr. Clarke the trustees have elected W. C. Wier who has been connected with the Washington State Normal school at Bellingham. President Clarke, has done strong work in his years of service and the friends of the school express high appreciation of him.

The Pacific Unitarian says that their reading room in Berkeley is supplied with 'select Unitarian literature and other religious reading. Is there any other kind of Unitarian literature?

The Third Annual Young Peoples Conference which is to be held under the guidance of Miss Sarah E. Bundy at Pomona College on June 30 to July 5th promises to be a great time,—full of power and inspiration and instruction. Scarcely anything that happens in California can wield so large and useful an influence as such gatherings of Christian young people. When will our churches about the Bay be doing something of the same sort?

A number of our ministers have been "radiatin of late, among them Nels Sanderson of Martine and McCall of Berkeley, and now comes Hen Stauffer of Park Church, Los Angeles with a mes age to the wide world on "The Human Rad phone"; "Whether you will or not" says he; "y are constantly receiving and radiating influenc for good or evil. The good men do continue other lives made better; and the evil men poisons other lives long after they have pass away."

OUR BOOK SHELF.

"So few people realize how beautiful China is remarked one who had spent many busy days the Harold Speakman, an author and an artist, has wr ten a very beautiful account of his experience in small portion of China—**Beyond Shanghai.** (The A ingdon Press) and he has graciously illustrated I volume with eight paintings in color.

When the artist went there he pledged hims that he would not visit the palaces and the aris crats of that land, but rather he would mingle w the common people, and so, far as possible for a wh man, be a Chinaman himself. He would eat what Chinese ate; and would sleep as the Chinese sle and the story of his experience is so unique and fa cinating that one wishes the 200 pages might ha run on into 400. There is a strain of humor in I writing which increases the charm of the narrati Evidently he is a good traveler, he can put up w circumstances without irritation; one has to be good sport to endure with equanimity the vexatio and petty annoyances to be met with daily in a la like China. And he carries off the palm easily.

The artist has a reliable companion and helper Ah Chow. Ah Chow knows China and the Chine The artist has secured the privilege of painting i "coffin yard;" but he has much difficulty in getti models. Ah Chow is not quite equal to the task. F Chinese were "wiling to sacrifice the good luck a lifetime for two dimes or even three an hour. *

* To have one's picture painted was bad enoug to have it painted by a foreigner was worse; but have it painted by a foreigner in a coffin yard!"

Mr. Speakman has a flirtation, innocent enou with a charming maid, "Dah Zon, the orient pe of the household, aged five." The winning of t maid was "not to be accomplished in any cru Lochinvar manner.' He tried all sorts of expe ments upon the damsel; apples, and toys, but last a "handsome lacquered duck of solid wo placed before the royal footstool won the you lady's smile and heart."

As a charming bit of literature, as a realistic p ture of Chinese life, as an informing glimpse beh the veil of Chinese thought and feeling—the bo is well worth while.